

OVERSEAS PLANNING

1. Summary of Items Accomplished Previously Reported as Problems

a. A Medical Staff War Planning Representative is scheduled to attend the Agency War Planners Course starting 19 August 1957.

b. Satisfactory accord has apparently been reached with the Department of Defense on previous problem matters:

(1) Office of Personnel has informed the Medical Staff that agreement has been reached on the provision of additional personnel in time of war.

(2) Office of Logistics has informed the Medical Staff that agreement has been reached on the definition of a "peculiar" item of supply and equipment. Based on this the Medical Staff has submitted to the Office of Logistics a list of those medical items that should be considered peculiar.

c. In the opinion of this staff coordination between the support planners and the DD/P elements has improved significantly. Increased frequency of briefings as well as the complete integration of support planners into the proceedings of the Annual War Planners' Conference of 1957 are indications of this improved relationship.

2. Summary of Other Accomplishments

a. The Medical Staff drafted the Medical Appendix (Appendix 3) to the Administration and Support Annex (Annex E) to the CIA Global War Plan for Clandestine Operations. This appendix was then co-ordinated and accepted by DD/P. It was published as part of the formal plan on 24 May 1957.

b. A Medical Staff representative was in attendance at all sessions of the Annual War Planners' Conference 26 January - 8 February 1957. The Deputy Chief, Medical Staff, spoke on "Medical War Planning". Following the formal sessions of the conference, Medical Staff planners met with officials from the staffs of the Senior War Planners to discuss the medical aspects of their war planning.

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- c. The Medical Support Planning Guide was completed and submitted for DD/P utilization. This guide, with its checklist, is intended for use either by the DD/P war planners or those engaged in current operations. It will become the Medical Section of the Support Planning Handbook when this is published.
- d. This staff reviewed the FY 1958 Preliminary Estimates, Country Programs, as well as various individual country Evacuation Plans presented to it.

3. Projects in Process

The program for the provision of overseas medical support on a regional as distinguished from a station basis is now 80% completed insofar as the assignment of medical officers is concerned. Action has been initiated to provide a regional medical officer for Southeast Asia. One of the principal duties of this regional medical officer will be to advise the Senior War Planner, Pacific, on matters pertaining to medical war planning. With this as a pattern it is planned to integrate the other regional medical officers into the war planning for their respective areas.

4. Problems

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